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Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Docs. Nos. 370C.2 and 3, 3716.00/1 and W.P. 1661/1 and 2.

1. All delegations agreed to a FRENCH proposal, amended by the UNITED KINGDOM Delegation, to add a new exclusion clause to part (b), reading as follows:

"(b)(iii) Bi-metallic strip for thermostats."

2. All delegations, the FRENCH, UNITED KINGDOM and UNITED STATES Delegations agreeing ad referendum only, agreed to a GERMAN proposal, amended at the suggestion of the UNITED STATES Delegation, to add a second new exclusion clause to part (b), reading as follows:

"(b)(iv) Thermocouple nickel-chrome wire containing less than 95% nickel and within a diameter range of 0.2 mm. to 5 mm. both inclusive."

3. All delegations also agreed to reverse the order of the present sub-items (b)(i) and (b)(ii). Part (b) would thus be redefined as follows:

"Nickel base alloys (other than alloys covered by Items 1631 or 1635) containing 32% or more nickel, except:

- (i) nickel-copper alloys (of the "Monel" type) containing not more than 6% of other alloying elements;
- (ii) electrical resistance materials, as follows: wire, rod, tape and strip;
- (iii) bi-metallic strip for thermostats;
- (iv) thermocouple nickel-chrome wire containing less than 95% nickel and within a diameter range of 0.2 mm. to 5 mm. both inclusive."

4. The UNITED KINGDOM Delegation raised a further point in connexion with Item 1661. They suggested that the words "of the 'Monel' type" appearing between parentheses at the end of the present part (b)(ii) be deleted, since this was only a trade name and in no way modified the definition. The GERMAN Delegation supported this suggestion, and the UNITED STATES Delegation undertook to study the matter.

5. CONCLUSION : The COMMITTEE agreed to resume study of Item 1661 during the second round of discussion only if the ad referendum agreements were not confirmed in the meantime. It further agreed that the question raised in paragraph 4 above should be studied at a later date.

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